

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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County Counsel
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At its meeting held September 14, 2004, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

Report by Dr. Hopper and members of the King/Drew Medical Center Steering Committee on the progress of its efforts, as well as what it sees as the progress being made to restructure the governance of Drew University, reorganize the resident training programs at King/Drew Medical Center, and the expectations for the current audit of the University, by the County Auditor-Controller, as requested by Supervisor Burke at the meeting of August 17, 2004.

Dr. Cornelius Hopper, Chairman, and Dr. Hector Flores, King/Drew Medical Center Steering Committee member, answered questions posed by the Board. During his presentation, Dr. Hopper outlined recommendations, as summarized below, regarding the governance of Charles R. Drew University and the reorganization of the resident training program at King/Drew Medical Center:

- Approve amended Los Angeles County/Drew University affiliation agreement;
- Hire an experienced hospital management firm;
- Identify, recruit and train new Drew University Board Members;
- Continue the involvement of the University of California in enhancing the quality of Drew medical residency programs; and
- Aggressively monitor the implementation of the proposed new affiliation agreement.

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On motion of Supervisor Molina, seconded by Supervisor Yaroslavsky, unanimously carried, the Board, in consideration of the number of speakers to be heard, set a limit of 10 minutes total for comments on the aforementioned item.

Dr. Marcelle Willock, Dean, Charles R. Drew University, Kathy Ochoa, representing SEIU Local 660, Celes King IV, Dr. Debi Thomas, Charles R. Drew University, representing the orthopedic surgery residents, Tut Hayes and other interested persons addressed the Board.

After discussion, Supervisor Burke requested the Director of Health Services and County Counsel to report back on:

- Recommended changes to County policies in order for the Charles R. Drew University plan to go forward and on what is needed to make King/Drew Medical Center consistent with Harbor-UCLA Medical Center and LAC+USC Medical Center in terms of physician practice plan; and
- 2. An opinion of what it means to be a community hospital, information on the community hospital status of King/Drew Medical Center, when it changed, what the present status of the hospital is and what is required for King/Drew Medical Center to revert to a community hospital.

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